

105,2120 - Pearl Bahmer - 1926.09.21

September 21st, 1926

Re - Pearl Bahmer

Pursuant to instructions I made calls at various music and radio stores throughout the business section of city in endeavor to locate former employer of Pearl Bahmer, but unsuccessfully. At none visited was she known, or had she ever worked.

Called at reported former address, 228 Neilson St., c/o Mrs. Isaac Barton. House is 2 story frame, occupied by Italians, who could give me no information re Barton family, beyond fact they had removed a couple of years ago, and present address not known. Made canvass of neighborhood and finally learned the "Bartons" were now living at 39 Albany St. Called at 39 Albany St. and located Mrs. Barton residing on 2nd floor, rear, of 3 story and store, brick dwelling. Said Pearl Bahmer made her home with her on 2nd floor, 228 Neilson St. for a period of about 7 months. That she was placed to board here by her father, who was a "no good rustabout", drunkard and shiftless and without character or dependence. That Pearl too was shiftless and lazy and never could or would hold a job of any kind for longer than a week or two at most. That her companions so far as known were of the same type. That she was wholly unreliable and a great liar, whose word never could be taken.

Mrs. Barton has never seen Pearl Bahmer since sometime previous to this trouble and knows of no person or place where information concerning her present whereabouts might be learned. Says she never worked in a music store. That she did work but two (2) days for a manufacturer of musical strings, somewhere on Georges Road.

Said to have a sister May, married to a man named Thomas M. Mannuso. They reside at 24 Haydock St., Rahway, N.J. Mannuso said to be employed by Shapiro Bros., Truckmen, Burnet St., as a driver.

Located Shapiro Bros., Wholesale Fruit & Vegetables, at 159 Burnet St. just below New St.

Called here in endeavor to locate and interview Thomas M. Mannuso but store was padlocked and no one connected there about premises. Was informed as in neighborhood they are open in early morning and close about noon.

Mrs. Barton informed me that she was told at time Pearl Bahmer left New Brunswick she went in company of a married man. Could not give me name of this man or tell me who had given the information.

Also said Pearl's brother Henry, known as "Happy", died about 4 months ago and she heard an intensive and exhaustive search was made at that time to locate Pearl Bahmer without success.

Respectfully submitted,
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